For Plumbers' and Glaziers' Works, at the Hackney Union Workhouse, for one year, from the 24th inst.

For Building a New Parsonage House, at Castle Cary, Somerset.

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For Excavating and Carting away the Soil and Rubbish, and making a Brick Barrel Culvert in Coventry.

For the Erection of a Dwelling-House, Offices, and Farm Buildings at Bourton, near the Shrivenoam Station, Berks.

For Repairing the Roofs of the Union Workhouse and Offices at Thornbury, and for the Painting, Colouring, and Whitewashing the Exterior and Interior Walls, Wood-work, Railings, &c., of the same building.

For the Erection of Schools, and Teachers' Residences, for the Trustees of the Worfield Charity, near Wolverhampton.

For the Erection of a New Church in the parish of Whitechapel.

For the Erection of Schools and a Teacher's Residence in connection with the new church of St. Jude, Whitechapel.

For the Repairs to the South Aisle, Roof, &c., of St. James's Church, Bury, St. Edmunds.

For the Erection of New Schools at Great Chesterford, Essex.

For 200 tons of New Iron Butt and Plate Hoops, and for 40 mille great tale of Baltic and Quebec Pipe Staves.

For the Erection of a New Church at Homerton.

For a Footway Paving to be laid down in the Parish of St. Paul's, Deptford.

For re-building a certain Bridge called Roache's Bridge, in the parish of Fordingbridge, in the County of Southampton.

For repairing and improving Horrington Bridge, in the parish of Arreton, in the Isle of Wight.

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MEETINGS OF SCIENTIFIC BODIES

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MONDAY, June 23.—*Geographical*, 3, Waterloo-place, 8½ P.M.; *British Architects*, 16, Grosvenor-street, 8 P.M.

TUESDAY, 24.—*Medical and Chirurgical*, 53, Berners'-street, 8½ P.M.; *Civil Engineers*, 25, Great George-street, 8 P.M.; *Zoological*, Hanover-square, 8½ P.M.

WEDNESDAY, 25.—*Geological*, Somerset-house, 8½ P.M.; *Pharmaceutical*, 17, Bloomsbury-square, 9 P.M.

THURSDAY, 26. — *Royal Society of Literature*, 4, St. Martin's-place, 4 P.M.; *Medico-Botanical*, 12, Suckville-street, 8 P.M.

FRIDAY, 27. — *Philological*, 49, Pall Mall, 8 P.M.

SATURDAY, 28.—*Royal Botanic*, Regent's-park, 4 P.M.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"Prevention of Fire."—*C. W. remarks that the balusters of a staircase when of wood greatly assist the progress of fire, and urges that iron should be used instead. The importance of having a staircase wholly incombustible cannot be overrated. Wooden staircases seem specially contrived to spread a fire when it does happen, from the bottom of the house to the top.*

"P. A. T. H."—*The letter alluded to, referring to fire-proof staircases, has not reached us. We never omit to acknowledge communications. Perhaps our correspondent will favour us with a copy of it.*

"Prudence."—*The British Mutual Life Assurance Office is in Bridge-street, Blackfriars.*

"A Constant Reader" *would be obliged by being informed through the correspondents of* THE BUILDER *the best and most durable polish for slate, and mode of application.*

"Curves."—*In Mr. Jopling's communication on this subject, last week, after the word "hyperbola," for "archoids" and "cypoids," read, "the cardioids, the conchoids, the cyssoids." The Decorative Art Society should solicit our able correspondent to explain his system at one of their meetings.*

"M. C. C."—*It would be invidious to mention one foundry where castings are not removed red-hot from the sand, as we hope the contrary practice, very properly reprobated in the report from Sir Henry de la Beche and Mr. Cubitt, is the exception rather than the general rule.*

"J. D. Wyatt."—*We shall be glad to receive occasionally a notice of proceedings at the ordinary meetings.*

"F. T."—*The latter paper mentioned by our correspondent would be more likely to meet our views at this moment than the former, as we have already had occasion to refer to the Minster in our pages several times, and must do so again.*

"B. B., a Reader."—*Weale has published a work which gives the information sought, as to taking out quantities, &c.*

"A Mason," *wishes to know where Dr. Reed's ventilator for bed-rooms can be obtained. We think our correspondent errs in the name.*

"W. J. S."—*A letter was left for him at the office as requested. It will apply to next Thursday, if considered desirable.*

"D. D."—*The question he asks, namely, "which of the numerous cements now in use is the best," is put to us nearly every week. Our experience of all is not equal, and we might do injustice therefore if we replied.*

"J. K."—*We fear our correspondent's theory is not tenable: we will, however, give it further consideration.*

"E. J. N. S."—*We have thought it necessary to keep back the sketch until we can compare it with the front, and cannot yet promise to engrave it. If our correspondent desires to have it, it shall be left for him. Whether we use it or not, we shall feel obliged to him.*

"J. L." *next week.*

"J. J. B."—*The advertisement was published in our Number for May 17th: we regret it escaped the attention of our correspondent. A paragraph directing notice to the land appeared in the same number, p. 237.*

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